UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA CHARLOTTE DIVISION 3:09-cv-116-RJC-DSC

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THIS MATTER is before the Court on pro se plaintiff's motion for summary judgment (Doc. No. 10) and defendant's motion for judgment on the pleadings (Doc. No. 14). On October 23, 2009, the magistrate judge issued a Memorandumand Recommendation (Doc. No. 16), recommending that plaintiff's motion be denied and defendant's motion be granted. The parties were advised that objections were to be filed in writing within ten (10) days after service of the Magistrate Judge's decision. The time for filing objections has since passed and no objections have been filed by either party in this matter. For the reasons stated below, the Court will grant defendant's motion for judgment on the pleadings and deny plaintiff's motion for summary judgment.

I. STANDARD OF REVIEW

The Federal Magistrate Act provides that a district court "shall make a de novo determination of those portions of the report or specific proposed findings or recommendations to which objection is made." 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(C); Camby v. Davis, 718 F.2d 198, 198 (4th Cir. 1983). "By contrast, in the absence of a timely filed objection, a district court need not conduct a de novo review, but instead must 'only satisfy itself that there is no clear error on the face of the record in order to accept the

recommendation." <u>Diamond v. Colonial Life & Accident Ins. Co.</u>, 416 F.3d 310, 315 (4th Cir. 2005) (quoting Fed. R. Civ. P. 72 advisory committee's note).

II. CONCLUSION

Accordingly, after a careful review of the record in this case, the Court finds that the magistrate judge's findings of fact are supported by the record and his conclusions of law are consistent with and supported by current case law. Thus, the Court hereby accepts the M&R and adopts it as the final decision of this Court for all purposes relating to this case.

IT IS, THEREFORE, ORDERED that:

- 1. defendant's motion for judgment on the pleadings (Doc. No. 14) is **GRANTED**;
- 2. plaintiff's motion for summary judgment (Doc. No. 10) is **DENIED**; and
- 3. plaintiff's case is **DISMISSED**.

Signed: December 4, 2009

Robert J. Conrad, Jr.

Chief United States District Judge